REPRISE FROM PART 1

TELECINE 1:

a) Ext. Pit. Turntable. Day.

Rattling, bone-shaking, the speeding trolley with its hapless victim, clatters onto the turntable that fronts the pit shaft....

Using both hands, a MAN wrenches a lever. (George Stephenson in his early thirties.)

The turntable spins --projecting the trolley away from the shaft.

Still travelling apace, it wobbles along the rails until it is brought jarringly to a halt by a crash barrier.

GEORGE STEPHENSON is the first to reach THE DOCTOR.

STEPHENSON: Are that hurt? Harmed at all?

THE DOCTOR: No. A trifle cramped.

STEPHENSON: Aye... Aye... Tha'

STEPHENSON is feeling the texture of the trolley's metal tubing.

THE DOCTOR: It's these straps.

STEPHENSON: (PREOCCUPIED WITH THE TUBING) Aye, I suppose. Intriguing.

THE DOCTOR: The straps? Yes, well that's a long story.

STEPHENSON: This metal. I've nay seen the like of it afore. Dost know which foundry forged it?

THE DOCTOR: (AMUSED) George Stephenson, I presume.

STEPHENSON: Aye, I'm Stephenson.

THE DOCTOR: An enormous pleasure to meet you, sir. Would you be kind enough to undo these straps?

STEPHENSON: Of course.

(UNBUCKLING STRAPS)

Forgive me. T'were metal that took my attention.

A terrified PERI scoots into view.

PERI: Run, Doctor: Run!

Not far behind her are the AGGRESSORS.

THE DOCTOR: Quickly, Stephenson. We've got to get away!

STEPHENSON: Follow me!

With the AGGRESSORS in pursuit, they hare off.

b) Ext. PIT. Adj. Gate and Perimeter Fence. Day.

Recovering his senses, a GUARD goes to attend to his stunned mate. RAVEN SWORTH bursts onto the scene.

RAVENSWORTH: Forget him! Take this (GIVING HIM HIS GUN) Round up all the able-bodied men you can! Search this pit. I want every one of those scoundrels hunted down!

(SHAKING OTHER GUARD)
Pull yourself together, man! Get back on the gate. No-one enters or leaves! That's an order!

He storms off.

The MASTER strides to the gate.. and before the still befuddled GUARD can issue a challenge, renders him inconscious again.

He moves into the pit...

1. INT. WORKSHOP. DAY.

(REVERENTLY, LUKE WARD IS POLISH-ING 'THE BLUCHER': A PROTOTYPE THAT PRECEDED 'THE ROCKET', IT DOMINATES THE WORKSHOP.

STEPHENSON, PERI AND THE DOCTOR MAKE AN UNDIGNIFIED ENTRANCE BY SCRAMBLING THROUGH SOME LOOSE PLANKS.)

LUKE: Mister Stephenson, what -?

(STEPHENSON MOTIONS HIM TO SILENCE.

WITH BATED BREATH, THEY

THE THUMP OF BUNNING FEET APPROACH AND FADE.)

THE DOCTOR: (INDICATING PLANKS) Somewhat unorthodox entry.

STEPHENSON: The owner's notion.

THE DOCTOR: Lord Ravensworth.

STEPHENSON: Aye. He thought we should be prepared lest the Luddites riots started here.

(BRUSHING HIMSELF DOWN)

Seems he were right.

THE DOCTOR: Except these are not Luddites.

STEPHENSON: They're not?

THE DOCTOR: No. That's what you're meant to think.

(PYDING THE STRAW ENGINE)

The Blucher', is it? Wind if I take a peep?

PERI: Doctor: This is no time for you to be playing trains: The Tareis is at the bottom of that pit:

STEPHENSON: Then why did they attack thee?

THE DOCTOR: Thought I was attending this meeting of yours.

STEPHENSON: And for that they were prepared to kill thee?

THE DOCTOR: Afraid so. Not just me either.

STEPHENSON: The means Davy, Farallay, and tothers are in danger? Nay, I find that difficult to credit.

THE DOCTOR: You disappoint me. A practical man and yet you reject the evidence of your own eyes.

(FOR A MOMENT STEPHENSON CONTEMPLATES THE DOCTOR.)

PERI: That's not the first time they've tried to kill The Doctor.

LUKE: Aye, tis truth, Mister Stephenson.

STEPHENSON: Dost think us should cancel meeting?

THE DOCTOR: Don't you?

(GRUDGINGLY STEPHENSON NODS.)

STEPHENSON: A pity. I suspect tha's contribution would've put cat or two among pigeons:

(TROSSING TO THE BENCH, HE TAKES UP A QUILL AND BEGINS TO WRITE.)

THE DOCTOR EYES THE STEAM ENGINE.)

THE DOCTOR: 'The Blucher', is it? Mind if I take a peep?

PERI: Doctor! This is no time for playing trains! The Tardis is at the bottom of that pit!

THE DOCTOR: We have to wait until it's safe.

(HIS VOICE BECOMES MUFFLED AS HE STICKS HIS HEAD INTO THE BOILER.)

LUKE: (TO PERI) When Doctor were attacked again... (HIS VOICE TRAILS OFF)

PERI: Yes, Luke?

LUKE: Was - did me Father take part?

(PERI NODS.

THE DOCTOR IS CRAWLING UNDER THE ENGINE.)

LUKE: I asked me Mam about that red mark. On his neck. She knew nowt of about it. She'd nay seen it. Dost know what caused it?

(NO RESPONSE FROM PERI. INSTEAD, SHE SELFCONSCIOUSLY RUBS HER NECK..)

STEPHENSON: Right.

(HE HANDS THE NOTE HE HAS WRITTEN TO LUKE)

Luke, give this to his lordship.

LUKE: Dost mind if I also seek me Da'?

STEPHENSON: Of course not, lad

THE DOCTOR: (FROM UNDER ENGINE)
Luke! Your father's not the man you knew. Take care.

(PERPLEXED, LUKE EXITS.)

STEPHENSON: I'd nay like anything to happen to Luke. Lad's got great future. He'll outshine me.

PERI: (SURPRISED) You?

STEPHENSON: Aye. I were down pit at nine. Never did get much schooling.

Lord Ravensworth's seen to it Luke's been well taught.

TELECINE 2:

Ext. Pit. Nr. Workshop. Day.

The MASTER, advancing further into the pit, sees BASS dodging past from shed to a shed.

He is about to summon him —

BASS halts as LUKE comes into view.

LUKE: (VOICE) CALLING) Hey, Tim: Tim Bass: Hast seen me Da'?

BASS: He'll want nowt to do wi' thee, Luke. Not as long as tha's working wi' that Stephenson:

LUKE: But why? He's nay objected afore.

BASS: He do now. Assistant! Traitor more like! Out of road!

He elbows past and goes from SHOT. Confused, LUKE stares after him.

The MASTER approaches ...

MASTER: Excuse me, young man. I've been summoned here by Lord Ravensworth.

(THE MEDALLION IS IN HIS FINGERS...)

Can you tell me where I'll find him?

(LIGHT GLEAMS FROM THE MEDALLION AS IT SWINGS MESMERICALLY....)

2. INT. BATHHOUSE. LAB. DAY.

(LUKE AND THE MASTER ARE ON THE SCANNER, WATCHED, WITH COLD DISAPPROVAL, BY THE RANI.

THERE IS A CLATTER CAUSED BY THE ASSISTANT DISMANTLING THE EXTRACTION APPARATUS.)

RANI: Be careful! Josh, help him!

(OBEDIENTLY JOSH COMPLIES AND TOGETHER THEY BEGIN TO CARRY THE EQUIPMENT TOWARDS A WARDROBE WHICH HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN CONCEALED BY A HEAVY&FRAMED ROOM SCREEN.

DIVIDER

SATISFIED, THE RANI TURNS AGAIN TO THE SCENE AT THE PIT.

LUKE IS HYPNOTISED AND THE MASTER HAS PRODUCED THE BOX OF MAGGOTS.

FRETFULLY, THE RANI RIPS OUT THE PLUG, BLANKING THE SCANNER.)

TELECINE 3:

Ext. Pit. Nr. Workshop.

Selecting one of the squirming, fluorescent parasites, the MASTER dangles it before LUKE&S lips.

MASTER: Luke, I want you to swallow this very special sweetmeat...

LUKE accepts the maggot and swallows it.

glow suffuses
The blue haze envelopes
his head....

Splendid! ...

MASTER: You have a note, I see.

LUKE gives him the note.

MASTER: (AFTER READING) An impressive role of honour... Luke, this meeting is not to be cancelled. Do you understand?

LUKE: I understand.

MASTER: If anyone tries to prevent it, you destroy them! Is that clear?

LUKE: That is clear.

MASTER: (MAKING HIS DEPARTURE) Anyone at all:

3. INT. WORKSHOP. DAY.

STEPHENSON: The key is more power. If I can increase that, speeds of fifteen, even twenty miles an hour become possible. Aye, power's t'problem.

PERI: Doctor, there is a more pressing problem.

THE DOCTOR: (RELUCTANTLY) Peri's right. We'll talk again, Stephenson.

(HE SHIFTS THE PLANKS FOR PERI TO STEP THROUGH.)

TELECINE 4:

a) Ext. Pit. Adj. Workshop. Day.

By an intersection, WARD, irritably chafing the red mark on his neck, glowers balefully after a patrolling GUARD.

With characteristic imprudence, THE DOCTOR, PERI in his wake, struts across a parallel intersection.

WARD and an AGGRESSOR begin to stalk their unwary adversary.... narrowing the gap....

b) Ext. Pit. Overhead Track. Day.

Sketched against the skyline, the overhead track has a number of stationary loaded trucks.

Having got shead, WARD nimbly scales the framework and crouches in ambush.

Blithely THE DOCTOR

approaches.

About to pass under
the track, he pauses to
get his bearings.

Aloft, WARD eases a tipping bolt from its socket on a loaded truck.

Hampered by the long skirt, PERI is lagging behind THE DOCTOR.

Nevertheless, he resumes his progress and marches beneath the overhead track.

Bracing himself, WARD tenses to tip the truck.

The movement catches PERI's attention — A BEEFY HAND CLAMPS OVER HER MOUTH stifling her warning.

The AGGRESSOR scaptive, eyes boggling, she is forced to spectate as the trap is sprung.

Coal cascades down blotting THE DOCTOR from view.

When the dust has settled, all that can remaine to be seen is the pile of coal.

A gun barrel jabs into PERI's CAPTOR's temple —

GUARD: Let lass go or I'll blow brains out.

The GUARD stope INTO SHOT.

GUARD: (CALLING) You, too, Jack Ward! Come down from there!

Released, PERI rushes to the pile of coal... claws at it.

THE DOCTOR: (VOICE) You're making a frightful mess of that pretty dress.

He has sought the protection of a stanchion supporting the track.

PERI: How ...?

THE DOCTOR: Shadows.

He points to the silhouette of the overhead track. Structure.

4. INT. BATHHOUSE. LAB. DAY.

(A LANDSCAPE IN THE STYLE OF TURNER'S 'THE ERUPTION OF SOUFFRIER' IS PAINTED ON THE ROOM DIVIDER SCREEN WHICH THE RANI, WITH ELABORATE CARE, IS ARRANGING IN FRONT OF THE WARDROBE.

THE MASTER ENTERS THE OTHERWISE DENUDED LAB.)

RANI: At last you're back, you incompetent egoist! Give me my phial:

MASTER: This?

(PRODUCING PHIAL)

The precious brain fluid. And I thought you were waiting for me!

RANI: If I didn't need that desperately, I'd've put light years between us.

MASTER: (REPLACING PHIAL IN HIS POCKET)
What better reason could I have for
keeping it!

RANI: (NETTLED) You'll play that card once too often! With you on the scene, I might be wiser to cut my losses and go!

MASTER: Perhaps this will change your mind.

(THRUSTING STEPHENSON'S NOTE

Read it!

AT HER)

RANI: (READING) So the meeting's been cancelled.

MASTER: No. This was never delivered.

(IMPATIENTLY RECLAIMING NOTE)
You disappoint me. A scientist and yet you're not thinking objectively.

(READING) Davy, Faraday, Telford and others. Over twenty men of genius.

Have you no conception of what we could do if we controlled them? Harness their genius and this planet could become the platform for the most devastating power in the Universe.

(SHE MAKES A FINAL ADJUSTMENT TO THE SCREEN, ENSURING THE WARDROBE IS HIDDEN.)

RANI: You're forgetting, I already rule a planet. Miasimia Goria.

MASTER: Help me and I promise you all the facilities you need. Instead of sneaking back here in disguise, you will be able to set up a laboratory and process as many humans as you choose. A hundred. A thousand. There are millions of them.

(THE IDEA APPEALS)

RANI: What guarantee would I have?

MASTER: My need. That unique box of parasites will not go far. Only you have the formula.

RANI: (ALMOST PERSUADED) The Time Lords will never permit it.

MASTER: (ENIGNATIONALY) And who is going to alert them...?

TELECINE :

Ext. Pit. Adj. Shaft. Day.

THE DOCTOR strides marches straight past the shaft.

PERI: Hey, Doctor, have you forgotten? The Tardis is down here!

He doesn't falter.

PERI gives chase.

5. INT. BATHHOUSE. LAB. DAY.

(THE RANI SURVEYS THE SCENE THEN TURNS TO LEAVE.)

MASTER: Haven't you overlooked something?

(POINTING TO TWO ASSISTANTS STANDING IMPASSIVELY)

You can hardly take them out onto the streets.

RANI: No. That's right, I can't.

WITH CALLOUS INDIFFERENCE, SHE TAPS OUT

(FROM HER SKIRT POURETSHE

A CODE ON HER PRODUCES THE MINI TRANSMITTER,

TAPS OUT A CODE. AND EXITS.

THE RED MARK ENTWINES THE ASSISTANTS' NECKS... THEY CHOKE TO DEATH....)

MASTER: (ADMIRINGLY) The Mark of the Rani....

6. INT. BATHHOUSE. HALL. DAY.

(DONNING THE SHAWL, THE RANI READOPTS THE ROLE OF THEOLD CRONE.

MASTER: (ENTERING) There is a youngster who will make an excellent apprentice for you. Name of Darwin. Charles Darwin. Save him a long sea voyage. (HE CHORTLES AT HIS OBSCURE JOKE.)

RANI: Perhaps, as an act of good faith, you'd return my phial of brain fluid.

MASTER: You scientists are incredibly naive.

(GOODHUMOUREDLY HE TAPS THE POCKET CONTAINING THE PHIAL? THEN, WITH AN INSOLENT BOW, HOLDS OPEN THE STREET DOOR)

Je vous emprie...

7. INT. OFFICE. DAY.

(BRANDISHING HIS GUN, THE GUARD SHEPHERDS WARD AND THE AGGRESSOR INTO THE OFFICE.)

GUARD: I caught these two, m'land. T'others got away.

RMENSWORTH: Only two | Whar]
about the other?
SUAND: Don't know, m'lord.
RMENSWEWORTH: Got away, you
mean!

WARD: Good luck to 'em-

GUARD) What others? My order were to round the lovery!

GUARD: A bunch of them attacked the Doctor.

RAVENSWORTH: A gain!

Us 'awent pinished yel!

WARD: Us'Il got him yet:

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RAVENSWORTH: That's enough! Sit

(WARD SNATCHES UP A CHAIR READY TO THROW IT.)

GUARD: Do that, Jack Ward, and I'll blow tha's arm off:

(BAFFLED, ANGRY, WARD LETS THE CHAIR DROP.)

RAVENSWORTH: Now sit on it!

DOES

(WARD OBEYS.

RAVENSWORTH TAKES THE GUN FROM THE GUARD)

Tie them up!

My mistake has been in trying to deal with this valoble myself! I should have sent too the mulha long before now.

8. INT. WORKSHOP. DAY.

(STEPHENSON GLANCES UP FROM THE BLUCHER AS LUKE ENTERS.)

STEPHENSON: Tha's delivered note?

LUKE: Aye.

STEPHENSON: What did his lordship say?

LUKE: Nowt.

STEPHENSON: Shouldn't think he's too well pleased... 'Appen I should've gone myself. Explained. In toffice is he? (RISING TO LEAVE)

LUKE: Nay! Tha'll stay put. I'll fetch him to thee. Tis safer that way.

SEPARATES

(HE LIFTS THE PLANKS TO GO.)

STEPHENSON: Thanks, Luke. Tha's a real thoughtful lad...

TELECINE :

a) Ext. Pit. Nr. Workshop. Day.

RAVENSWORTH is hurrying towards the workshop as LUKE comes from it.

RAVENSWORTH: Ah, Luke. I want a word with Stephenson about this meeting.

LUKE: He's nay in't workshop!

RAVENSWORTH: No? Where is he?

LWKE: Down pit. Wanted to arrange for visitors to see demonstration.. What about meeting, m'lord?

In my opinion

RAVENSWORTH: I think it should be called off.

Surreptitiously, LUKE reaches behind, groping for a weapon.

All this uncontrolled violence. We've no right to subject these men to such danger.

LUKE: Mister Stephenson don't see any danger.

RAVENSWORTH: He doesn't?

LUKE's fingers find an iron bar.

LUKE: Going to be fair disappointed, he is if meeting doesn't take place. Eager to show off latest engine,

The iron bar is firmly grasped, ready to strike.

RAVENSWORTH: Somewhat selfish reasoning.

LUKE: Not if he's convinced they'll come to may harm, your lordship.

RAVENSWORTH: Even so ...

(HE HESITATES, UNAWARE OF THE IMPENDING DANGER)
Oh well, George Stephenson's always enjoyed my complete trust. Oh, well, On his head be it.

(LEAVING)

However, be sure to tell him what I've said.

LUKE: Aye... I will...

He doesn't falter. PERI gives chase.

8. INT. OFFICE. DAY.

(DESPITE BEING SHACKLED, WARD AND THE AGGRESSOR ARE RESTLESS.)

RAVENSWORTH: The two of you can stay there until you come to your senses:

(HE IS REWARDED WITH BELLIGERENT GLARES.)

THE CINE :

Ext. Village. Adj. Bathhouse. Day.

PERI catches up with THE DOCTOR as he advances upon the bathhouse.

PERI: You can't be serious! You've only just escaped from there!

THE DOCTOR: The victim returns to the scene of the crime....

9. INT. BATHHOUSE. HALL. DAY.

PERI: (WHISPERING) Look, let's be sensible. Concentrate on getting the Tardis out of that pit shaft.

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(THE DOCTOR GOES INTO THE BATH CHAMBER.)

PERI: Instead of shoving our necks into the noose again!

10. INT. BATHHOUSE. CHAMBER. DAY.

(PERI COMES IN.

THE WALL IS CLOSED AND THE DOCTOR IS INSPECTING IT.)

PERI: What if the Master and that awful Rani are inside.

THE DOCTOR: They won't be.

PERI: You can't know that for sure.

THE DOCTOR: 'Cowards die many times before their deaths...

(RETURNING TO HALL)

The valiant never taste of death but once.' William Shakespeare.

PERI: What about that other piece you're so fond of quoting - 'Discretion is the better part of valour.' That's Shakespeare too!

THE DOCTOR: (VOICE) Interesting fellow, the Bard. Must meet him some time ... Asah:

(THE WALL PARTS.

PHRI RECOILS WERVOUSLY,

THE DOCTOR: (RE-ENTERING) Control panel. Very unsophisticated. Not worthy of the Rani.

(DESPITE THE BRAVADO, HE IS CIRCUMSPECT AS HE GOES THROUGH.)

11. INT. BATHHOUSE, LAB. DAY.

(AFTER HESITATING ON THE THRESHOLD, THE DOCTOR MOVES TO THE CRUMPLED FORM OF JOSH.

APPREHENSIVELY, PERI ENTERS.)

PERI: Is he ...?

(THE DOCTOR NODS.)

PERI: The Master?

THE DOCTOR: Some of the Rani's handiwork, I imagine.

(PERI VENTURES FURTHER IN.)

THE DOCTOR: Don't come any further, Peri.

ONEYS (SHE HALTSL)

The Rani's quite capable of leaving behind some very unpleasant surprises.

PERI: Where d'you reckon she's gone?

THE DOCTOR: Not far. The Master will see to that. He has something she wants.

(THE DOCTOR EXAMINES THE OTHER ASSISTANT.)

PERI: The red mark.

(SHE PINGERS HER NECK)

What was she going to do to me?

THE DOCTOR: Drain the substance from your brain that enables you to sleep.

PERI: But the results. Those men. Hasn't she any conscience?

(STILL KNEELING, BESTDE THE ASSISTANT, HE IS SURVEYING THE LAB.)

THE DOCTOR: Like so many scientists, she believes we're simply walking heaps of chemicals. There's no place for the soul in her scheme of things.

12. INT. DISUSED MINE WORKING. ENTRANCE. DAY.

(THE RANI PRECEDES THE MASTER INTO THE DISUSED MINE.)

MASTER: Why here?

MASTER: Why the devil have you brought us to this miserable dump!

RANI: I didn't bring you! You chose to come!

MASTER: Why here?

RANI: It was my original base.

(SHE IS ALREADY PENETRATING THE GLOOM.)

MASTER: Did we have to walk? Couldn't we have used your Tardis?

(IN THE INTEREST OF SELF-SURVIVAL, HE LINGERS IN THE ENTRANCE.)

RANI: My Tardis is performing a more important function.

MASTER: (RAISING HIS VOICE) Is it too much to enquire what that function might be?

RANI: (FROM FURTHER IN. BLANDLY)

(HER VOICE ECHOES HOLLOWLY.

THE MASTER EYES THE DREARY SETTING.)

MASTER: (QUIETY) From a sordid bathhouse to a derelict hole in the ground: Oh well, better humour her.

(FOLLOWING)

For a while anyway ...

13. INT. BATHHOUSE. LAB. DAY.

PERI: How come you know the Rani?

THE DOCTOR: The same way I know the Master.

PERI: But he's an exiled Time Lord.

THE DOCTOR: Quite. Two of a kind.

(HE IS STUDYING THE PAINTING.)

Odd... Very odd...

PERI: What is?

(HE TUGS HIS WARROATCHAMN AND PULLS OUT A HOOK ATTACHED TO A LINE.)

THE DOCTOR: This screen. I'd've said Turner's too passionate for the Rani's sterile taste.

PERI: I guess she thought so too. Since she's not taken it with her.

(GINGERLY. WITH THE DELICACY OF A BOMB DISPOSAL EXPERT, HE IS FASTENING THE HOOK ONTO THE ROOM DIVIDER.

THEN PLAYING OUT THE LINE, HE RETREATS.)

THE DOCTOR: Shall we?

PERI: Shall we what?

THE DOCTOR: See if I've misjudged the Rania.

(HE JERKS THE LINE, HAULING THE ROOM DIVIDER FROM ITS POSITION.

IMMEDIATELY THE PICTURE COMES TO LIFE. THE VOLCANO ERUPTS, SPEWS YELLOW FUMES INTO THE LAB.)

THE DOCTOR: (BACKING AWAY, SNIFFING)
Dichlorodiethyl sulphide:

PERI: Dio- what?

THE DOCTOR: Mustard gas! It's-

PERI: I know! A killer!

THE DOCTOR: Donn't breathe it in! Whatever you do, don't breathe it in!

(THE GAS HAS NOT QUITE SEALED OFF THE DOCTOR'S SIDE OF THE LAB.

HE CHARGES FOR THE GAP——
SIMULTANEOUSLY, THE VOLCANO
ERUPTS AGAIN AND THE BILLOWING,
ACRID FUMES TRAP HIM.

PERI WATCHES IMPOTENTLY.

CORNERED, THE DOCTOR SMOTHERS HIS MOUTH AND NOSTRILS IN A HANDKERCHIEF. HE YELLS BUT HIS VOICE IS MUFFLED.)

PERI: I didn't get that.

THE DOCTOR: (REMOVING HANDKERCHIEF)
The masks!

PERI: Masks?

THE DOCTOR: (AGAIN REMOVING HANDKERCHIEF)
The Rani's assistants:

(HE CONSUMES SOME OF THE GAS AND SPLUTTERS.

FRANTICALLY, PERI LOOKS ABOUT.
THE MASKS ARE ATTACHED TO THE
ASSISTANTS' BELTS BUT THE GAS
HAS ALMOST ENVELOPED THEIR BODIES.

SHE TAKES A DEEP BREATH? THEN, WITHOUT EXHALING, DASHES TO AN ASSISTANT.

FUMBLING, EYES SMARTING AND STREAMING, SHE FIGHTS TO UNCLIP A MASK.

IN HIS CORNER, THE DOCTOR IS DESPAIRINGLY TRYING NOT TO BREATHE.

THE VOLCANO BELCHES AGAIN.

ALMOST SUCCUMBING, PERI SUCCEEDS -PULLS ON THE MASK. SHE TURNS TO CLAIM THE SECOND MASK.

THE DOCTOR'S FACE CONTORTS AND BULGES UNDER THE STRAIN OF HOLDING HIS BREATH - MUCH LONGER AND HIS LUNGS WILL EXPLODE!

HE IS ABOUT TO EMIT WHAT WILL BE HIS FINAL GASP, WHEN PERI LUNGES OUT OF THE FOG AND THRUSTS A MASK ON HIM.)

THE DOCTOR: (GASPING) Thank you, Peri. Thank you. Street door.

PERI: Street door?

THE DOCTOR: Open it. Ventilation. Quickly!

(SHE SCAMPERS OFF.

28. UNSTEADY, FANNING THE GAS AWAY, HE BEGINS TO PROWL THE WARDROBE ...

PERI: Are you sure?

THE DOCTOR: I hope that was

(HE PROWES THE WARDROSE. SQUINTS AT THE LOCK... THEN EXTRACTS THE WAISTCOAT CHAIN. THERE IS A KEY ON IT.)

PERI: Hey, that's the key to the Tardis!

(HE TURNS THE KEY IN THE LOCK.
THE DOOR OPENS)

PERI: Suppose she's in there —:

(HE DISAPPEARS INSIDE.)

16. INT. RANI'S TARDIS. CONSOLE

(SIMILAR IN DESIGN TO THE DOCTOR'S TARDIS BUT THERE ARE SHELVES AND CABINETS LINED CRAMMED WITH THE APPURTENANCES OF A RESEARCH CHEMIST.

THE BRAIN DISTILLER IS ALSO STACKED ON A TROLLEY.

THE DOCTOR PAUSES. AND RIPS

THE DOCTOR: Ah - embryos of the Tyrannosaurus Rex. So they're not extinct. Nasty creatures. Vicious teeth. Bite your leg off and chew it up. Bones and all. Wonder why the Rani's got them.

Supposed to be extract.

She's been back to the

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She's been back to the

(BEHIND HIM THE CONSOLE PANEL BECOMES ACTIVATED ...)

17. INT. BATHHOUSE, LAB. DAY.

(THE WARDROBE DOOR SHUTS.)

PERI: Doctor!

(IN DISMAY, PERI WATCHES THE WARDROBE DEMATERIALISE...)

PERI: Now what's he done?

18. INT. RANI'S TARDIS. CONSOLE ROOM.

THE DOCTOR: Incredible: Absolutely incredible:

(SCRUTINISING CONTROLS)

A Tardis that operates on remote command. The Rani is a genius. Shame I can't stand her. I wonder if I were particularly charming to her she might ... No. Perhaps not.

(ATTENTION ON PULSATOR)

Last time I tried, it was on the pulsator I came to grief. Walloped into that tower. Where was it?
Pisa?

19. INT. DISUSED MINE WORKING.

PRESSES

(AS THE RANI TAPS THE FINAL TARS, TWO KEYS ON HER MINI TRANSMITTER, THE WARDROBE MATERIALISES.)

MASTER: You've discovered the means of operating a Tardis by remote control! Brilliant! In tandem, you and I will rule the Universe!

RANI: (UNIMPRESSED) Shall we go inside?

20. INT. RANI'S TARDIS? CONSOLE

(THE SCRATCH OF THE KEY SENDS THE DOCTOR SCAMPERING INTO A CORRIDOR.)

MASTER: (FOLLOWING RANK IN) Do I detect a lack of enthusiasm?

RANI: Grandiose schemes of theling the Universe will mean nothing if that dilettante Doctor is still at large!

(THE DOCTOR, EAVESDROPPING, MOUTHS THE WORD 'DILETTANTE'.)

MASTER: Prosaic but true. He must be destroyed.

(SHE YANKS OPEN A CUPBOARD.)

RANI: Something you've constantly botched.

MASTER: (SOURLY) Perhaps you can do better?

(THE RANI HAS PUNCHED UP THE SCANNER.
IT SHOWS THE BATHHOUSE LAB.
THE ONLY BODIES ARE THOSE OF HER FORMER ASSISTANTS.
SHE FLICKS IT OFF.)

RANI: Dratted man!

MASTER: Don't tell me you've botched something:

(IGNORING THE JIBE, SHE YANKS OPEN A CUPBOARD.)

MASTER: What did you do? Leave a trap for the Doctor?

(SHE IS SORTING A PILE OF FLAT DISCS THE SIZE OF DINNER PLATES.)

Is that why we couldn't use your Tardis?

RANI: Here, carry these.

(SHE SHOVES A NUMBER OF THE DISCS AT HIM.)

MASTER: Its power was needed to operate the-

RANI: (OVER HIM) And be careful!

MASTER: (ANXIOUSLY) What are they?

RANI: Let's say these will change The Doctor's lifestyle.

(SHE IS SORTING THROUGH A PILE OF FLAT DISCS THE SIZE OF DINNER PLATES.)

RANI: Here, carry these.

(SHE SHOVES SEVERAL OF THE DISCS AT HIM)

And be careful.

MASTER: (ANXIOUSLY) What are they?

RANI: Let's say they'll change The Doctor's lifestyle.

MASTERHowRow? Will he suffer?

RANI: Well I promise you he'll never be the same again... (SHE SMILES AT HER OBSCURE JOKE.)

MASTER: Excellent. But why not kill two birds with one stone?

RANI: (MOVING TO EXIT) Who's the other one?

MASTER: (FOLLOWING) George Stephenson.

RANI: How will that threaten The Doctor?

(HIS REPLY IS LOST AS THE DOOR CLOSES.)

THE DOCTOR: (EMERGING) How indeed ... ?

HALTS. (EMERSING)

Better let them get clear.

(HIS GAZE RESTS ON THE CONSOLE.)

THE DOCTOR: Oh well - 'Gather ye rosebuds while ye may....'

(HE TUGS THE WAISTCOAT CHAIN AGAIN - THE ATTACHMENT IS A SCREWDRIVER...)

TELECINE 5:

Ext. Redfern Vale. Woods. Day.

At the edge of a wood, the RANI and the MASTER partabor to company, pance.

He goes in the direction of the village, she cuts across country.

RANI: You're sure you can get Scorge Stephenson here? MASTER: Positive. I control the mind of his assistant.

21. INT. OFFICE. DAY.

(ON THE VERGE OF EXHAUSTION, WARD STRAINS AT HIS BONDS.)

GUARD: Don't seem right, do it, m'lord, seeing Jack Ward like this?

RAVENSWORTH: No.. That Doctor fellow. Strange sort. He was onto something. Try finding him.

22. INT. DISUSED MINE WORKING. DAY.

(TUCKING THE SCREWDRIVER IN HIS POCKET, THE DOCTOR STEPS FROM QUITS THE RANI'S TARDIS.

BEFORE HE HAS ADJUSTED TO THE DARKNESS, HE COLLIDES WITH A PIT PROP, BRINGING DOWN A TRICKLE OF DUST.)

22. INT. OFFICE. DAY.

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GUARD: (ENTERING) No sign of Doctor, m'lord, but met his bonny lass.

Devil telce you man!

RAVENSWORTH: It's the Doctor I wanted to see!

PERI: That makes two of us!

RAVENSWORTH: You must have some idea of his whereabouts.

PERI: Must I! He could be anywhere in the Universe!

RAVENSWORTH: Make sense, girl! Calm down and think! He can't just have disappeared.

PERI: Oh can't he!

(SHE TOUCHES THE DOCTOR'S MULTICOLOURED COAT DRAPED ACROSS THE DESK. WARD REACTS VIOLENTLY.)

RAVENSWORTH: The man has to be found! We need his help!

PERI: I've more reason to find him than you have!

(SNATCHING UP COAT)

Otherwise I'll have to spend the remainder of my days prancing aboutd in these ridiculous skirts!

(SHE FLOUNCES TOWARDS THE DOOR.)

GUARD: I'd best go wi' thee, lass. They'll nay let thee pass gate -

PERI: Don't bother. I'm not leaving the mine...I'm going to the pit shaft. The one place I know he'll return to.

(EXITING)

If he has any choice.....

(WARD, STRUGGLING, TOPPLES HIS CHAIR.)

RAVENSWORTH: (TO GUARD) Let him be: Get back on duty. And if you see young Luke, tell him we've got his father in here.

TELECINE 8:

a) Ext. Pit. Perimeter Fence Fence. Day.

....In middle distance, separated by the fence, LUKE listens obediently to the MASTER....

b) Ext. Copse on Outskirts of Village. Day.

Twigs snap and foliage rains onto the crouching, wincing DOCTOR.
Several roving AGGRESSORS, wielding staves, are venting their wrath by aimlessly thrashing bushes.

Not until they are out of sight does THE DOCTOR break cover and press on.

24. INT. WORKSHOP. DAY.

(A SPANNER SLIPS AND THE SHIRT-SLEEVED STEPHENSON GRAZES HIS KNUCKLE AS LUKERCOMES SILENTLY TO THE BENCH.)

STEPHENSON: Tha' startled me, Luke. Don't thee know better than to creep up on folk!

(NO RESPONSE)

Tha's been wandering off a lot today. Why's that?

(LUKE IGNORES THE QUESTION: SEEMS NOT EVEN TO HEAR IT.)

LUKE: It's Mister Faraday. There's been another attack.

STEPHENSON: Faraday? He's here in't

LUKE: Nay. His coach were overturned.

STEPHENSON: Is he hurt?

LUKE: Scared more like. Hiding out in Redfern Dell. Reckon that should go to him, sir.

(STEPHENSON UNPEGS HIS JACKET.)

TELECINE 9:

Ext. Pit. Shaft. Day.

A missile, the multicoloured coat, hits THE DOCTOR, stopping him in his tracks.

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PERI: Did you come back for that or me!

THE DOCTOR: For both.

PERI: I could've been stuck in the eighteenth century for ever!

THE DOCTOR: Did you really believe I'd abandon you?

(HE PUTS ON HIS COAT.)

PERI: (A SHRUG) So - what happened

THE DOCTOR: Later. Where's Stephen-

PERI: I haven't a clue. But Lord Ravensworth wants you in his office. Ask him.

25. INT. WORKSHOP. DAY.

(STEPHENSON FINISHES PRIMING A GUN.)

STEPHENSON: Get thee to theoffice, Luke. Tell his lordship I'm off to Redfern Dell.

Q LIFTING THE PLANKS TO DEPART)

I want all the men he can spare. Urgently:

(HE GOES.

LUKE REMAINS UNMOVING ... WAITING ...)

2E. INT. OFFICE. DAY.

THE DOCTOR: (IMPATIENTLY) There's nothing I can do. The men need rest.

Supheren bake.

S. Sue we lear bake.

RAVENSWORTH: Rest?

THE DOCTOR: They've been robbed of the power of sleep.

RAVENSWORTH: Robbed of ...? Confound it, man: I don't understand what you mean—

THE DOCTOR: And I haven't time to explain. Peri, see what you can do

(TAKING HIS GOAT FROM THE DESK, HE EXITS ABRUPTLY.)

PGG: (EXASPERATED) DOCTOV...

TELECINE 8:

Ext. Village. Adj. Tavern. Day.

In passing, STEPHENSON is unaware
that waves to a MAN leaning
his bicycle (wooden,
without pedals) against
the tavern, is waving an
acknowledgment.

27. INT. WORKSHOP. DAY.

(THE DOCTOR CLIMBS THROUGH THE LOOSE PLANKS.

BUKE HAS REMAINED IMPASSIVELY WAITING.)

THE DOCTOR: George Stephenson? He's not here?

LUKE: Nay, sir. He left message for thee.

THE DOCTOR: For me?

LUKE: Aye. Said tha were to meet him in Redfern Dell.

THE DOCTOR: Did he say why?

LUKE: Nay. Just said it were important. where's Miss Peri, sil?

(SOMETHING ABOUT LUKE'S DEMEANOUR BOTHERS THE DOCTOR.)

THE DOCTOR: By the way, Luke, your father. He's in the office. Why don't you go there and see if you can help? there too! They could probably use your help.

LUKE: If you think so, sir.

(HE MOVES TO LEAVE.)

THE DOCTOR: Before you go. There is one thing.

(LUKE HALTS. FACES THE DOCTOR)
How do I get to Redfern Dell?

TELECINE 9:

Ext. Redfern Dell. Day.

Redfern Dell is verdant with wild plants, ferns and grasses. The only jarring image in the peaceful setting is the RANI.

She is placing the discs on the ground and covering them with leaves.

28. INT. OFFICE. DAY.

(LUKE REGARDS THE TWO BOUND MEN DISPASSIONATELY.)

P'reps sleeping drangelle t'aroun

LUKE: PARHABSSELEPPINGdbRught's t'answer.

PERI: At least it would sedate them.

RAVENSWORTH: (TO PERI) Could you prepage one?

PERI: If I had the right herbs.
Trouble is, I know absolutely nothing about the plant life in this area.

RAVENSWORTH: I may be of use there.
Somewhat of an amateur botanist myself.

(HE SELECTS A THICK VOLUME FROM A BOOKCASE.)

TELECINE :

Ext. Village. Adj. Tavern. Day.

Jogging, panting, THE DOCTOR spots the bicycle...

28a. INT. OFFICE. DAY.

(CU. ILLUSTRATION IN BOOK)

PERI: (VOICE) That's what I need. Valerian. Know it?

FULL SCENE

RAVENSWORTH: Valeriana afficinalis. Matter of fact I do. It's an indiginous plant.

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LUKE: 'Appen I can assist, my lord. Take Miss Peri to collect herbs.

RAVENSWORTH: Excellent idea, Luke. Just be careful where you go.

PERI: We don't want to bump into any of - er - (EMBARRASSED BY HER FAUX PAS.)

RAVENSWORTH: Quite. Not to worry, young lady. You'll be in safe hands with Luke.

LUKE: I were thinking of Redfern Dell, my lord.

RAVENSWORTH: Couldn't've suggested a better place myself.

TELECINE :

a) Ext. Redfern Vale.

STEPHENSON has reached the machinery littering the lane.

A racket from behind. He drops into the ditch.

Wobbling precariously on the wooden bicycle he has 'borrowed', THE DOCTOR navigates bwtteen the remains of the broken crate.

THE DOCTOR: The sooner they invent pedals the better Stephenson: Don't fire! It's me!

Gun at the ready, STEPHENSON has risen from the ditch.

THE DOCTOR: Whoops:

RAVENSWORTH: Couldn't've suggested a better place myself.

TELECINE 10:

a) Estblingeoferar Takely Lane. Day.

Wobbling precariously on the wooden bicycle he had 'borrowed', THE DOCTOR navigates between the remains of the broken crate and machinery still littering the lane.

The chink of metal.
STEPHENSON, in the ditch,
is vainly piecing together
a fragmented part.

THE DOCTOR: Stephenson! Good-

Using his feet as brakes, he almost comes to grief.

THE DOCTOR: You wanted to see me?

STEPHENSON: Nay, who told thee that?

Just look at all this: Waste!

Wanton destruction. I'm on't way

To Faraday.

Faraday.

THE DOCTOR: Yes. Luke said you wanted to see me.

STEPHENSON: Lad's mixed up. Been acting strange of late. I'm on't way to meet Faraday.

THE DOCTOR: Where?

STEPHENSON: Redfern Dell.

THE DOCTOR: And Luke brought you the message. (A STATEMENT NOT A QUESTION.)

STEPHENSON: How did thee know that?

He is hauled down THE DOCTOR has seen the
marauding group of
AGGRESSORS crossing the
lane by the stile.

THE DOCTOR: As soon as they're clear, you go back to the mine.

STEPHENSON: But Faraday-

THE DOCTOR: I'll keep your appointment.

If Faraday is there, I'll bring him
to you. I promise.

(NO RESPONSE)

(A PUZZLED NOD OF ACCEPTANCE FROM STEPHENSON.)

Er - perhaps you'd return the bicycle. To outside the tavern. I won't need it any more.

STEPHENSON picks up the bicycle.

THE DOCTOR: Stephenson - I want you to do one more thing. I can't explain why: but it is important.

STEPHENSON: What is it, Doctor?

THE DOCTOR: Don't trust Luke

b) Ext. Pit. Gate.

LUKE: There's shortcut to Redfern
Dell. But - well - a young lass - tis
across country..

PERI: Believe me, Luke, anyone who's travelled with The Doctor can't afford to be fragile. And survive, that is!

her Lifting the skirt, she rips the seam from hem to thigh.

PERI: Okay, lead on!

They take a path that bypasses the village.

Redfern Dell. c) Ext.

57600 leaves After 'planting' the last disc. the RANI lingers only to confim the minefield she has deployed cannot be detected. The Ram has gone.
The sinister discs await their victims.

d) Ext. Redfern Vale.

Field. Day.

Alone, on foot, THE DOCTOR, aware the AGGRESSORS are on the loose, keeps to the shadows of the hedge.

> 29. INT. RANI'S TARDIS. CONSOLE ROOM .

1MA16 HAS BEEN (THE OLD CRONE NO LONGER EXESTS. BANISHED. THE RANI HAS DRESSED IN HER OWN CLOTHES (to be decided). ARRIVES. THE MASTER ENTERS.)

RANI: Are they coming?

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THE MASTER ENTERS.)

RANI: Has the message been delivered?

MASTER: Yes. Now what do we do?

RANI: Be patient. Stay calm.

MASTER: I've waited too long for this moment to be calm! If you knew how often the Doctor's gone out of his way to sabotage my plans!

RANI: Only on this occasion he didn't go out of his way, did he? You contrived to get him here.

(NO RESPONSE)

Force the Tardis off course, did you? Override the controls?

(HE NODS, WATCHES WITH DISTASTE AS SHE TOPS UP THE MUCUS IN THE EMBRYO JARS.)

MASTER: Are you sure this plan will work?

RANI: I don't make mistakes.

MASTER: If that were true, you'd still be in Gallifrey.

RANI: Experiments are always subject to the unexpected. They can be capricious.

MASTER: Capricious! Turning mice into monsters:

RANI: A marginal error. Quickly corrected.

MASTER: The Time Lords didn't think 80.

RANI: Petty spite on the part of the Lord President. Just because they ate his cat!

MASTER: Took a chunk out of him too, I remember: Pity it wasn't the Doctor:

RANI: (EXITING) That'll soon be remedied

TELECINE 11:

Woods. Day.

Warily THE DOCTOR contemplates the dense

passage through the bracken.

wood confronting him.

THE DOCTOR: Will you walk into my,

He abandons the path parlow, said the spider to the fly...

making a rougher I think not

b) Ext. Redfern Vale. Ridge Above Dell. Day.

MASTER: I'd feel happier if I could see him.

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The vantage point the RAN has chosen limits their range of vision to the dell.

RANI: A sentiment he'd reciprocate. We stay here - out of sight!

c) Ext. Redfern Vale. Near Dell. Day.

PERI hands LUKE a leaf.

PERI: You can't go wrong if you match the leaf.

LUKE: (ACCEPTING SPECIMEN) Aye, but let us not waste time here. I'm sure I've seen likeness in Redfern Dell. This way, Miss:

Head inclined, studying the leaf, he proceeds.

Vaguely perplexed by his manner, she lingers before following.

d) Ext. Redfern Vale. Adj. Dell. Day.

Alert, on tenterhooks, THE DOCTOR picks his way through snaring brambles.

e) Ext. Redfern Vale. Ridge Overlooking Dell. Day.

A glimpsed movement at the edge of the dell alerts the MASTER. He moistens his lips in anticipation. Pleasure is usurped by anger — LUKE wanders into the clearing.

Impulsively he frains
levels the toe to on
fire at LUKE A
HAND CHOPS it from
his GRASP!

THE DOCTOR has circled behind him.

Quickly THE DOCTOR retrieves the weapon.

MASTER: (TO RANI) So much for your arrogant superiority:

THE DOCTOR: A trait you share - underestimating opponents.

(TO RANI)

I got the nate. Ism here. Now what obnoxious fate have you contrived?

RANI: Why me?

THE DOCTOR: He blamed you for its failure.

Her hint of a mocking smile bothers THE DOCTOR.

THE DOCTOR: Not this -(THE TCE) that's too simple. You'll have
brewed something more sinister.
malignant.

f) Ext. Redfern Dell.

Concentrating on the task of gathering herbs, LUKE saunters nearer to one of the camouflaged discs.

g) Ext. Redfern Vale. Ridge Overlooking Dell. Day.

THE DOCTOR: Could it be down there? In the dell? Where I was supposed to go?

His prisoners remain impassive, unresponsive,

h) Ext. Redfern Dell. Day.

It enaps... instantly he is enshrouded in a fountain cloud of mist.

of brown bark-like flakes.

i) Ext. Reffern Vale. Ridge Overlooking Dell. Day.

THE DOCTOR's intended warning is still-born.

Appalled, he waits for the eloud to elear. flakes to settle.

j) Ext. Redfern Dell. Day.

The mist dissolves...
and LUKE has changed
into a tree (if possible,
with some, albeit faint,
resemblance to Luke).

k) Ext. Redfern Vale. Ridge Overlooking Dell. Day.

Enraged, THE DOCTOR levels the tce.

MASTER: No! No! An accident! It wasn't intended for him!

THE DOCTOR: And you're so warped, so callous, you think that justifies it! First you turn an innocent young man into your acolyte - betraying his friends! Then you do this monstrous thing to him!

RANI: Stop being sentimental. What's happened? Animal matter has been metamorphosed into vegetable matter, so what?

THE DOCTOR: You'll be telling me next he's better off!

RANI: As a matter of fact, he is. A tree has four times the life expectancy of a human being.

THE DOCTOR: They should never have exiled you. They should have locked you in a padded cell: Move! Before I forget my hatred of violence and use this!

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Ridge Overlooking Dell.
Day.

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1) Ext. Redfern Dell. Day.

Innocent of what has happened to Luke, PERI, also gathering herbs, strolls into the dell.

With a 'fool's luck' she manages to avoid the early booby-traps.

Passing under the (tree', she narrowly misses another disc... but is almost certain to step trigg or the next — a branch suddenly lowers, entangling her head and shoulders.

She screams.

m) Ext. Redfern Vale. Ridge and Dell. Day.

CARRY OVER SCREAM.
Alerted, THE DOCTOR
turns to see PERI
thrashing about in
the enmeshing branches.

THE DOCTOR: (SHOUTING) Don't move, Peri: Don't move: The tree won't hurt you:

Charily, PERI obeys.

... The branch gently sways aside....

THE DOCTOR: (TO RANI) Permaps now you'll accept there are 'more things in heaven and earth than' your barren philosophy allows:

RANI: And perhaps you'll accept you face a dilemma.

MASTER: More of an impasse.

THE DOCTOR: Wrong on both counts! There is no impasse. And the dilemma, Rani, will be resolved by you.

RANI: Get to the point.

THE DOCTOR: You put those evil contraptions in the dell. So you can lead Peri out! Refuse, and I shan't hesitate to use this!

Giving emphasis to the threat, he whips off her cape, tosses it into the air and, with a short burst from the tce, eliminates it.

The TRIO descends to the dell.

At the clearing's edge, the RANI pauses as if trying to recall where she set the discs.

MASTER: She can't remember: She probably set them at random:

THE DOCTOR: I doubt if the Rani's ever done anything at random.

MASTER: But if she has? What then?

THE DOCTOR: You're nominated as her understudy!

His attention is on the RANI who has begun her perilous journey.

THE DOCTOR: I should think you'd turn into a laburnum tree.

MASTER: A laburnum? Why?

THE DOCTOR: The pods are poisonous.

(CALLING)

Be patient, Peri. Just remain quite still.

In choreographed fear, the RANI, treating the dell like a chess board, fastidiously embarks on a complicated pattern of moves.

Nearing PERI, she stops...eyes the tree apprehensively Its leaves quiver and rustle....

RANI: (TO PERI) Come to me. Keep an absolutely straight line.

In trepidation, PERI complies.

Step exactly

THE DOCTOR: (CALLING) where she does, Peri.

PERI: I don't understand.

RANI: Stop bleating and do it!

The RANI begins to retrace her route.

In her impatience, she goes too fast.
PERI overbalances and grabs the RANI for support — nearly pulling them both over onto a disc..:

Even the RANI loses her composure.

RANI: Incompetent fool: You're worthless:

THE DOCTOR: (CALLING) Not to me, she isn't! You'd do well to remember that!

PERI: She was going too fast.

With greater deliberation, the RANI resumes the enforced rescue.

Hoping THE DOCTOR
is absorbed in his
companion's fate, the
MASTER surreptitiously
sidles away.

THE DOCTOR: (QUIETLY) The next step could be the last....

The MASTER concedes.
THE DOCTOR's gaze has remained on the dell... where the TWO WOMEN have come to a halt.

RANI: Can you jump without falling on your face?

PERI: Sure.

RANI: Copy me and you're out of danger.

She jumps over the final line of discs. PERI follows suit...

PERI: What was that all about?

THE DOCTOR: You wandered into a minefield of the Rani's making.

PERI: A minefield? In there? Luke: What about Luke? Where is he?

THE DOCTOR: He just saved your life.

PERI: Luke? You mean....

She looks back at the tree.

THE DOCTOR: (BRUSQUELY) Get going.

I want you two off this planet
before you commit any more atrocities:

n) Ext. Redfern Vale. Copse. Day.

With a sheep's carcase hung on a shouldered pole, the group of AGGRESSORS make their boisterous way towards the dell.

Their rumpus arrests the The progress of THE DOCTOR, PERI, the RANI and the MASTER, is arrested by the sounds of the Aggressors' approach.

THE DOCTOR: Quickly! Over here!

They seek shelter just off the path.

RANI: They're easily disposed of:

She produces the mini transmitter -

THE DOCTOR: Give me that:

RANI: If they see you they'll have no mercy:

THE DOCTOR: Maybe not.

He crushes it under his heel.

Pon: Doctor they're heading directly for the dell!

where they're heading?

THE DOCTOR nods.

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MASTER: Redfern Dell's about to

MASTER: Redfern Dell's about to become populated with new trees...

RANI: Another dilemma. One of morality.

morality.

MASTER: And we all know The Doctor's dedication to morality...

PERI: You've got to stop them!

(SHE GRABS THE TCE)

Don't worry. I won't have any qualms about using this!

After whispering to PERI, THE DOCTOR departs.
In his haste, he collides with the MASTER.

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PERI: Hurry, Doctor!

Stealing herself, PERI holds the tce steady.

a little as she braces

PERI: Now, don't move! Either of you

MASTER: I believe an apology is in order, Miss Peri. I meant you no harm. My quarrel's with the Doctor, not you.

PERI: What about Luke?

MASTER: Luke?

PERI: Did you mean him no harm!

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MASTER: That was her idea. Not mine.

RANI: Stop grovelling: No-one's going to believe you've got a conscience:

MASTER: You can hear what she's like.

In apparent nervousness, he fidgets with his collar.

MASTER: It was her doing. I didn't even know what she'd planned.

He is His fingers slip incide and begin easing out the medallion heaging on a ribben....

o) Ext. Redfern Vale. Approaching Dell. Day.

THE DOCTOR desperately tries to make ground before the AGGRESSORS blunder into the Rani's minefield.

The LEADER, already in the clearing, is within centimetres of a disc.

Awars that he will fail to close the gap. THE DOOPOR sucks sir ... into his lunger...

THE DOCTOR: (BELLOWING) Stop!

Turning to decoy the endangered MEN from the dell, THE DOCTOR careers into BASS and TWO AGGRESSORS.

He spins about. There is no escape. The OTHERS have encircled him....

p) Ext. Redfern Eals. Copse. Day.

The medallion is swinging rhythmically...

PERI: Put that away!

She takes aim.

PERI: If you value your miserable life, you'll do as I say!

There is no doubting the threat.
The swining ceases.

PERI: The Doctor said you'd try to hypnotise me.

RANI: That's what he whispered before he left ---

An apoplexy of laughter convulses the RANI.

She begins choking and coughing.

g) Ext. Redfern Vale. Beneath Oak. Day.

Like the sheep's carcase, THE DOCTOR is slung from a shouldered pole at the head of a column filing towards the Rani's minefield.

THE DOCTOR: You must listen! Please, you're making a terrible mistake! I'm not your enemy!

BASS: (FROM REAR OF COLUMN) Hear that, lads? Mister inventor says us're making mistake!

AGGRESSORS: Then maybe us'll roast 'im first!

r) Ext. Redfern Vale. Copse. Day.

Still coughing, the RANI reaches for her skirt pouch.

PERI: Keep your hands where I can see them!

RANI: Only - (COUGHING) - getting a tablet.

Another paroxysm of coughing.

RANI: A - nervous affliction. (COUGHING)
Won't stop - without a tablet -

More coughing. Worse.

MASTER: She'll have a seizure! I've seen it happen before!

PERI: Oh for pity's sake get the tablet! But carefully! No tricks!

About to put a capsule in her mouth, the RANI coughs again, upsetting her pill box.

In the confusion, she bends as if to collect them — instead she breaks the capsule and flicks it into PERI's face....

s) Ext. Redfern Dell. Day.

THE DOCTOR and his CARRIERS are at the fringe of the dell.

THE DOCTOR: I beg you! Don't go any further! Turn back!

Impervious to his pleas, they trudge on.

THE DOCTOR: Turn back! You're walking into a trap!

Five metres into the dell, the leading CARRIER steps onto a disc — and is immediately smothered in the snowstorm of brown, bark-like flakes.

The impact causes the SECOND CARRIER to stumble —— he side-steps onto a disc.

Aghast, the survivors recoil.
Then, as the double transformation reaches completion, horror-struck, they tear off into the woods.

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THE DOCTOR is left suspended from the pole between the two 'trees'...

THE DOCTOR: (YELLING) Peri!

Ext. Redfern Dell. Copse. Day.

PERI lies unmoving.

Ext. Redfern Dell.

Writhing, THE DOCTOR dislodges one end of the pole.

THE DOCTOR: Asaaah!

It catches on a lower branch.
He gulps — the change of angle has positioned him directly above a semi-exposed disc.

No longer level, he is slipping.

THE DOCTOR: Stay calm! Stay calm. It's only a matter of balance.

His head nudges the trunk, curbing his descent.

In trepidation, aware of the disc, he begins to ease his feet towards his hands.

A creak from the end of the pole. A pause.
Warily, he continues...
until his ankles are close
to his hands.
He tries to unravel the
knot.
It resists.
He tugs.
Another ominous creak from
the far end.

Fear speckles THE DOCTOR's brow with perspiration.
He persists.
Succeeds...

Judiciously, he lowers his feet to the ground, keeping them close to the 'tree'.

This done, he gently lifts the pole from its perch...slides his shackled wands over the end.

His ordeal is not finished: how can he find safe passage from the dell?

Grasping the pole, extending it, whacking the ground, THE DOCTOR advances....

Ext. Redfern Vale. Knoll. Day.

The fleeing AGGRESSORS race towards the disused mine.

Ext. Redfern Vale.

THE DOCTOR: Peri!

PERI's eyes blink open.

PERI: The Rani...tablets...my fault..

THE DOCTOR: Never mind that now. Are you all right?

PERI: (RECOVERING) Yes. Yes. I'm fine.

THE DOCTOR: Good. Then untie me.

Ext. Redfern Vale. Knoll. Day.

The RANI realises the raucous AGGRESSORS are cutting off the direct route.

RANI: We'll have to go the other way.

MASTER: Why? That's longer. I can take care of that mob.

He fires the tce.

To a howl of terror from his COMPANIONS, the AGGRESSOR is disintegrated.

RANI: Very astute! Now The Doctor knows exactly where we are!

Ext. Redfern Vale. Woods. Day.

Pell-mell, THE DOCTOR and PERI hurtle through the wood.

x) Ext. Radfern Vale. Knoll. Day.

The AGGRESSORS swarm into attack again.

The MASTER lets loose another blast on the tce

BASS is disintegrated ...

Unnerved, the AGGRESSORS scatter.

As the MASTER and the RANI continue on, PERI and THE DOCTOR emerge from the woods.

THE DOCTOR: They're making for the Old mine workings. And the Rani's Tardis.

PEEI: Why are you trying to stop them?

THE DOCTOR: (HURRYING ON) I'm

30. INT. DISUSED MINE WORKING. DAY.

(THE RANI AND THE MASTER GAINTHEE SANCTUARY OF THE MINE.

AT A BEND, THE MASTER STOPS.)

MASTER: I refuse to run away and let that crack-brained freak win again:

RANI: Then stay. But without me!

MASTER: Have you no pride?

RANI: Pride? I'm a scientist. I've calculated the odds, and they, not idiotic pride decide my actions.

MASTER: You intellectual microbe! Slave to a computer!

RANI: You'll never learn. Give me the brain fluid. I'm off.

MASTER: When I'm ready, not before!

(HE PATS HIS BREAST POCKET... IS MOMENTARILY PERPLEXED.

A SLIGHT SCRUNCH OF GRAVEL TAKES HIS ATTENTION.)

ZL. INT. DISUSED MINE WORKING. ENTRANCE. DAY.

PERI: (SOFTLY) Sorry.

(THE DOCTOR CURTLY MOTIONS FOR QUIET BEFORE SQUINTING INTO THE GLOOM.)

THE DOCTOR: Typical! He's decided to stand and fight. Why couldn't he just have left!

(HE RETURNS TO THE ENTRANCE AND LOOKS OUT.)

TELECINE 12:

Ext. Redfern Vale.

Adj. Disused Mine Working.

Day.

Regrouping, the AGGRESSORS are heading for the old mine.

32. INT. DISUSED MINE WORKING. ENTRANCE AREA. DAY.

(THE DOCTOR MOVES FROM THE ENTRANCE.)

THE DOCTOR: If they tackle the Master in here, they'll be killed. He'll pick them off easily;

(AGAIN HE PEERS INTO THE MINE.)

THE DOCTOR: I must get those two into the Tardis.

PERI: Any chance of an explanation?

THE DOCTOR: Later.

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PRRI: Later! That's all I ever hear! Later!

(IGNORING HER PROTEST, HE SHAKES A PIT PROP. IT IS FIRM.)

THE DOCTOR: There was a loose one ...

PERI: Where?

THE DOCTOR: Further in.

PERI: How does that help?

33. INT. DISUSED MINE WORKING.BEND.

(THE TCE IS HELD READY ..

SUDDENLY THE DOCTOR PRESENTS HIMSELF AS A TARGET.

THE MASTER FIRES ____ THE DOCTOR DIVES BACK AND THE BLAST HITS A PIT PROP...)

34. INT. DISUSED MINE WORKING. ENTRANCE AREA. DAY.

(RECOVERING, THE DOCTOR WAITS.

... A FAINT RUMBLE.
... A SLIGHT TRICKLE OF DUST FROM THE ROOF.

SILENCE. HAS THE STRATAGEM WORKED?)

35. INT. DISUSED MINE WORKING. BEND. DAY.

(THE MASTER AND THE RANI STARE INTENTLY TO WHERE THE PIT PROP STOOD.

... ALMOST IMPERCEPTIBLY, A GRINDING GROAN....

THE VOLUME INCREASES TO AN OMINOUS RUMBLING.....)

36. INT. DISUSED MINE WORKING ENTRANCE AREA. DAY.

(WITH THE SOUND BECOMING THUNDEROUS, PERI AND THE DOCTOR SCARPER FOR THE ENTRANCE.)

37. INT. DISUSED MINE WORKING. BEND. DAY.

(BOTH THE RAND AND THE MASTER SCRAMBLE TOWARDS THE TARDIS AS THE ROOF CAVES IN...)

38. INT. DISUSED MINE WORKING. ENTRANCE. DAY.

(BUSTLING PERI INTO A RAPID EXIT, THE DOCTOR EXHIBITS A SATISFIED GRIN.)

39. INT. RANI'S TARDIS CONSOLE ROOM.

(DUST SPATTERED, PANIC -STRICKEN, THE RANI DASHES FOR THE CONSOLE.

IN SIMILAR DISARRAY, THE MASTER JUST SCRAPES IN AS THE DOOR, ASSAILED BY DEBRIS, SHUTS.

WITH FRENZIED DISCIPLINE, THE RANI COMMENCES THE DEMATERIALISATION PROCEDURE.)

THE MASTER: Quickly! Quickly! You'll destroy us both!

RANI: (SCREECHING) I will: You blame me!

(AS HE LEANS OVER THE CONSOLE, SHE FETCHES HIM A WALLOP THAT SENDS HIM REELING...:)

40. INT. DISUSED MINE WORKING.

(THE TURBULENCE OF FALLING ROCK ALMOST OBSCURES THE RANI'S TARDIS.)

41. INT. RANI'S TARDIS. CONSOLE

(PARALYSED WITH FEAR, THE MASTER STANDS LISTENING TO THE THUD OF FALLING ROCKS.

THE RANI COMPLETES THE DRILL. ALL THEY CAN DO NOW IS WAIT.

SHE GLARES AT THE MASTER WITH BURNING HATRED.)

RANI: You wouldn't be told!

42. INT. DISUSED MINE WORKING. DAY.

(AMIDST THE CHAOS, THE RANI'S TARDIS DEMATERIALISES....)

43. INT. RANI'S TARDIS. CONSOLE

(RESPITE FOR THE ILL-MATCHED DUO IS SHORT-LIVED.

THE TRADIS EEGINS TO VIBRATE ...)

MASTER: What is it?

(THE RANI CONCENTRATES ON ADJUSTING THE CONTROLS.

TO NO AVAIL. THE VIBRATION INCREASES.)

MASTER: What's wrong?

RANI: Our speeds increasing.

MASTER: Then reduce it!

RANI: You asinine cretin: What d'you imagine I'm trying to do:

(HE ELBOWS HER ASIDE... TRIES TO ARREST THE RUNAWAY TARDIS.

WITHOUT SUCCESS.
IN GATHERING MOMENTUM THE ROOM
STARTS ROTATING....)

TELECINE 13:

Ext. Redfern Vale.

Adj. Disused Mine

Working. Day.

Dust billowing from the old name scarc of the ASSRESSORS.

Attaining safety, THE DOCTOR and PERI glance back.

Dust billows from inside the old mine.

PERI: Okay, they can't come out this way, but what's to stop them materialising the other end of the village?

THE DOCTOR: What indeed ...?

He flicks the chain from his waistcoat, twirls the screwdriver.

THE DOCTOR: While I was in the Rani's Tardis, I made an adjustment or two.

(WALKING ON)

The navigational aid and the velocity regulator....

44. INT. RANI'S TARDIS. CONSOLE

(THE ROTATION HAS ACCELERATED TO SUCH A DEGREE THAT THE RANI AND THE MASTER ARE UNABLE TO MAINTAIN THEIR GRIP ON THE CONSOLE.

THEY ARE BEING PROPELLED TO THE WALLS.

CLINKING, THE JARS OF EMBRYOS ARE SHAKING FREE FROM THEIR FIXING CLAMPS....)

TELECINE 14:

Ext. Redfern Vale. Lane. Day.

Exuberance in every stride, THE DOCTOR leads a breathless PERI in the direction of the pit.

> PERI: They're Time Lords - the Rani and the Master. They'll repair the Tardis.

> THE DOCTOR: Eventually. But not yet. Not before they're beyond the Milky Way. For that matter, beyond most galaxies.

A chuckle. He looks up at the sky.

THE DOCTOR: I've heard conditions are rather primitive in the outer reaches of the Universe. Hardly the setting for a harmonious relationship...:

45. INT. RANI'S TARDIS. CONSOLE

(AN EMBRYO JAR CRASHES TO THE PLOOR AND SHATTERS.

THE STRESS OF THE CENTRIFUGAL FORCE AND THE RESULTING 'G' FACTOR IS REFLECTED ON THE RICTUS GRIMACES OF THE RANI AND THE MASTER.

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THE EMBRYO IS ALIVE AND SQUIRMING.....)

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TELECINE 15:

Ext. Pit. Day.

PERI diverts to the office.

THE DOCTOR: Where are you going?

She produces a handful of herbs.

PERI: The sleeping draught, remember?

THE DOCTOR: Taken care of.

With a smug smile, he extracts the phial of brain fluid. THE DOCTOR: I managed to -

PERI: - to pick the Master's pocket when you bumped into him!

THE DOCTOR: Exactly! Take it to Ravensworth.

PERI: Well let me deflate that swollen ego and remind you of something we haven't got - the Tardis!

46. INT. WORKSHOP. DAY.

(THE TARDIS, SOMEWHAT THE WORSE FOR WEAR, STANDS IN THE DOORWAY.

STEPHENSON IS WORKING ON 'THE BLUCHER'.)

THE DOCTOR: (ENTERING) Battered but not bowed. Thanks, Stephenson.

STEPHENSON: (STILL ABSORBED) Had to haul it out manually. T'were no easy task.

(THE DOCTOR JOINS HIM.)

STEPHENSON: If only I cald develope sufficient power, jobs like that would be done by an engine.

(WITH FEIGNED CLUMSINESS, THE DOCTOR KNOCKS INTO A SECTION OF THE PROTOTYPE.)

THE DOCTOR: Sorry. Clumsy. Let me. Now, this goes there -

('INNOCENTLY', HE REASSEMBLES THE CHIMNEY INCORRECTLY)

- no, that can't be right.

STEPHENSON: Wait. Wait. Tha's given me a thought.. I wonder if t'is possible? A steam bypass... Aye, might work... worth a go...

(PERI ARRIVES.

THE DOCTOR UNLOCKS THE TARDIS.)

PERI: We're leaving?

(A NOD.)

PERI: Won't he notice?

THE DOCTOR: Too engrossed.

(CALLING)

Cheerio, Stephenson.

(STEPHENSON DOESN'T EVEN LOOK UP.)

THE DOCTOR: We'll take off like a rocket.

(HE CHUCKLES.)

PERI: Rocket? I don't get you.

THE DOCTOR: You're obviously not following my train of thought.

(ANOTHER CHUCKLE.)

PERI: (ENTERING TARDIS) I'll never catch on to the English sense of humour.

(HE FOLLOWS.)

THE DOCTOR: (VOICE) You will... given

(ON THE DEMATERIALISATION ...

FADE OUT.